

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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Self-Regulatory Organizations; National Securities Clearing Corporation; Notice of Designation of Longer Period for Commission Action on a Proposed Rule Change to Enhance National Securities Clearing Corporation's Haircut-Based Volatility Charge Applicable to Illiquid Securities and UITs and Make Certain Other Changes to Procedure XV

On March 16, 2020, National Securities Clearing Corporation ("NSCC") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") proposed rule change SR-NSCC-2020-003 ("Proposed Rule Change") pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder.<sup>2</sup> The Proposed Rule Change was published for comment in the Federal Register on March 31, 2020.<sup>3</sup> The Commission has received four comment letters on the Proposed Rule Change.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

<sup>3</sup> Securities Exchange Act Release No. 88474 (March 25, 2020), 85 Fed. Reg. 17910 (March 31, 2020) (SR-NSCC-2020-003) ("Notice"). NSCC also filed the proposal contained in the Proposed Rule Change as advance notice SR-FICC-2020-802 ("Advance Notice") with the Commission pursuant to Section 806(e)(1) of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act entitled the Payment, Clearing, and Settlement Supervision Act of 2010 ("Clearing Supervision Act"). 12 U.S.C. 5465(e)(1); 17 CFR 240.19b-4(n)(1)(i). Notice of filing of the Advance Notice was published for comment in the Federal Register on April 15, 2020. Securities Exchange Act Release No. 88615 (April 9, 2020), 85 Fed. Reg. 21037 (April 15, 2020) (SR-NSCC-2020-802). The proposal contained in the Proposed Rule Change and the Advance Notice shall not take effect until all regulatory actions required with respect to the proposal are completed.

<sup>4</sup> Letter from Christopher R. Doubek, CEO, Alpine Securities Corporation (April 21, 2020); Letter from John Busacca, Founder, Securities Industry Professional Association (April 23, 2020); Letter from Charles F. Lek, Lek Securities Corporation (April 30, 2020); Letter from James C. Snow, President/CCO,

Section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>5</sup> provides that, within 45 days of the publication of notice of the filing of a proposed rule change, or within such longer period up to 90 days as the Commission may designate if it finds such longer period to be appropriate and publishes its reasons for so finding or as to which the self-regulatory organization consents, the Commission shall either approve the proposed rule change, disapprove the proposed rule change, or institute proceedings to determine whether the proposed rule change should be disapproved. The 45th day after publication of the notice for the Proposed Rule Change is May 15, 2020.

The Commission is extending the 45-day time period for Commission action on the Proposed Rule Change. The Commission finds that it is appropriate to designate a longer period within which to take action on the Proposed Rule Change so that it has sufficient time to consider and take action on the Proposed Rule Change.

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Wilson-Davis & Co., Inc., all available at <https://www.sec.gov/comments/sr-nsc-2020-003/srnsc2020003.htm>.

<sup>5</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 19(b)(2) of the Act<sup>6</sup> and for the reasons stated above, the Commission designates June 29, 2020 as the date by which the Commission shall either approve, disapprove, or institute proceedings to determine whether to disapprove proposed rule change SR-NSCC-2020-003.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>7</sup> 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(31).